## MARSH COUNTRY HEALTH ALLIANCE

**PROCEDURE**: Determination of County of Responsibility

<u>POLICY STATEMENT</u>: Prior to admission to Clearview or the Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities household, all residents who are not MCO members (regardless of pay source) will be screened to determine county of responsibility for purposes of determining responsibility for the appropriate Marsh Country Health Alliance Assessment Rate.

## **PROCEDURE**:

- 1. Clearview staff will review all potential admissions to determine county of responsibility. They will consider the following factors in this review:
  - a. Is the resident protectively placed by a specific county?
  - b. Is the resident under a Chapter 51 commitment to a specific county?
  - c. If neither a. nor b. apply, what was the resident's last permanent non-institutional address (institutional address is defined as Nursing Home, Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities, Adult Family Home, Community Based Residential Facility, Resident Care Apartment Complex)?
- 2. If the resident to be admitted to Clearview had either a protective placement order or Chapter 51 Commitment Order through a specific county, then that county would be the responsible county to pay the "assessment rate."
- 3. If one of these legal orders does not exist, then the county of responsibility for that resident would be the county of origin where their last known, non-institutional address was and, therefore, would be the county responsible for paying the "assessment rate."
- 4. If the resident is not actually referred by the county determined to be the county of responsibility (i.e. 1.a. or 1.b. above), Clearview staff will notify the county determined to be the county of responsibility prior to admission of the resident. The notification will include a description of how the determination of county of responsibility was made. Exceptions may be made for short term or respite admissions. The county of responsibility will determine if they wish to initiate case management upon admission.
- 5. Once the county of responsibility has been established using the above criteria, and they have in turn been notified that they will pay the "assessment rate," this determination will not change under any circumstances, and the member county of MCHA will continue to pay the "assessment rate" for that individual as long as that individual is a resident of Clearview, and regardless of whether a court has made an adjudication that the person is a resident of another county and regardless if the State of Wisconsin or another entity or person has made the determination that the individual is a resident of another county.

6. Marsh Country Health Alliance member counties have the right to appeal this determination to the Marsh Country Health Alliance Board by submitting a written statement of the appeal to the Commission Board. Unless the appeal is received by the Commission Board within thirty (30) days of the Commission Board's next scheduled meeting, the Commission Board shall consider the receipt of the appeal as a request for a special meeting of the Commission Board under Section 4.07 of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement, which meeting shall be scheduled as provided therein with the appeal being placed on the agenda as an item of business. If the appeal is received by the Commission Board within thirty (30) days of the Commission Board's next scheduled meeting, the appeal shall be added to the meeting agenda. A majority of the Commission Board in attendance at the meeting where the determination is noticed for business shall have the authority to affirm or overrule, in whole or part, the initial determination of county of responsibility.